NOTICE TO ALL TIMBER PURCHASERS

STEEP HILL TIMBER SALE KISATCHIE R. D.

S.B.A. SET-ASIDE

Bids will be received at the Forest Supervisor's Office, 2500 Shreveport Highway, Pineville, LA on May 22, 2014 at 9:00 AM.

LOCATION: This sale is located approximately eight (8) miles east of Bellwood, LA in Compartment 16, T6N, R7W, Sections 14, 15, 16 and 22 of Natchitoches Parish.

INCLUDED TIMBER: The sale area consists of about 1041 acres, of which an estimated 695 acres are designated for cutting. The sale contains 9 Payment Units, which are all marked thinning units. Payment Units 1,3,4,6, and 7 are marked in blue and Payment Units 2,5,8,9 are marked in yellow. Payment Units 7 and 9 contain red cockaded woodpecker (RCW) trees where the harvesting season will be limited to the period outside the RCW nesting season which is March 1 thru July 31. The boundary lines are marked in orange.

LENGTH OF CONTRACT: The Contract termination date will be **December 31, 2016.**

<u>FORM AD-3030-FS</u>: Corporations submitting an offer under this solicitation must include form AD-3030-FS Representations Regarding Felony Conviction and Tax Delinquent Status for Corporate Applicants. The form is located behind Page 5 of the Bid for Advertised Timber

EROSION CONTROL: The Purchaser will be responsible for seeding and fertilizing approximately 6.25 acres to Forest Service specifications. The Purchaser may elect to enter into a cooperative agreement with the Forest Service to have the Erosion Control work performed in exchange for a cooperative deposit in the amount of **\$2,348.88**.

PREHAUL ROAD MAINTENANCE: The Purchaser will be required to perform Pre-Haul Road Maintenance on .22 miles of Forest Service roads K16C & J prior to hauling. The work includes placing 250 tons of Winnrock on these roads. A cost allowance of **\$12,220.00** is estimated for this work and should be considered a logging cost for prospective bidders. See sample contract for specific information.

ROAD MAINTENANCE: The purchaser will be responsible for making a required deposit (16 U.S.C. 537) in the amount of **§7.29** per CCF (approximately **§44,724.15**) for using Forest Service roads to haul timber. Additionally, a cost allowance for Purchaser required road maintenance on secondary roads of approximately \$1,633.48 has been made in the appraised value of the timber.

SLASH DISPOSAL: In Payment Units 1 through 9, Slash Disposal will be required in areas where slash accumulation is higher than 2 feet.

All interested bidders should investigate the sale area and the sample contract prior to submission of bids, and become familiar with the provisions mentioned above and others which apply to this timber sale contract. Please contact the District Office at (318) 472-1840 if you have any questions about this sale.